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Autopsy Conducted on Summit

The harrowing post-mortem on the U-2 spy flights and death of the Summit continued all last week in the U. S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee but the autopsy surgeons found little that did not support the earlier diagnosis.

The bipartisan investigation heard from:

Allen W. Dulles, head of the Central Intelligence Agency, whose testimony about the photo reconnaissance spy flights over Russia was all but blacked out for security reasons.

Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, deputy director of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, whose bureau was mouse-trapped into the covering lie that the U-2 brought down over Russia May 1 was only a weather observation trip that strayed.

Thomas Gates, defense secretary, who said that the spy plane flights over the last four years have been worth the risk in data obtained for the free world on Soviet atomic weapons, missiles, submarines, planes and air fields.

The chairman of the commit-

tee, Sen. J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.) still questioned the wisdom of President Eisenhower taking responsibility for the flights; said the CIA was in the clear, acting only on orders, and that the lie about the spying seemed to be the result of poor coordination among government departments in the case.

Sen. Fulbright seemed to think that a better covering lie should have been thought up—one he surprisingly suggested off hand on a TV program was that the U.S. could have said the Soviet "stole" the plane and framed a cloak and dagger yarn.

As the hearing closed and the committee began work on a report, Gates revealed that the President's decision taking responsibility was not made alone, but with advice and consent of his top policy makers in State and Defense Departments.